

B.A.R.G. NEWS

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NEXT MEETING - FRIDAY 30 JANUARY 2004
At 8.00 pm

FROM THE PRESIDENT

First: Let me apologize to those who receive the new letters by e-mail. Although the NOVEMBER one was sent to the distribution centre, it appears that it disappeared into the electronic "oo-loo" on the way and was never seen again. Those few who receive it by "snail mail" did receive it. A copy should be with this month's letter.

Second: for this month's meeting; don't wear your best clothes as we should be working with the Club's aerials outside, assuming that it is not raining and there is sufficient light. We will hold the meeting after tea session. We will look at other Club equipment with the view of field days, eg run the generators etc.

FROM THE COMMITTEE

At the Committee Meeting on Wednesday night, discussion took place on two Club activities. One; it was agreed that the Club should actively take part in the John Moyle Field days at a field site rather than at the Club rooms. More discussion at the next meeting. We will be looking for nominations to take part. Refer to AR for the date.

The second item is to try to arrange a trip to the "Wind Farm" up Ararat way at a date to be fixed. We may have to do it by bus as a tour but it is hoped to do it as a group with a lunch together to make a day of it. It is suggested that a Sunday would be better than a Saturday. Your comments at the next Club meeting, please.

DATES

8.00 pm. Note the summer time Club meeting time starting time.

COMMITTEE please note that meetings (3rd Wednesday in the month) will also start at 8.00.

Next PUB NIGHT: Is to be held at the Royal Oak Hotel 402 South Street at 6.30 pm on Friday 13 Feb 04.

Construction Nights Construction nights are due to start for 2004 on Monday 9 Feb 2004 at 7.30 and should continue on the second Monday each month.

CONGRATULATIONS

To David (VK3UR) and Katie daughter of club member Ian (VK3IDL ex LYD) who were married 10 Jan 04. Congratulations and best wishes from the Club and many other Amateurs who will know David throughout Australia.

Second congratulations to Ian ex LYD to full call VK3IDL>

WELCOME TO A NEW MEMBER

Welcome to Oliver Gellert VK3OG of Hamilton as a new member of the Club.

WICEN RADIO NET

WICEN members would be welcome to check-in on the net which is held on Tuesday nights at 2130 on 3.60 MHz +/- the usual. The net control is John VK3FJB. As well as a check in there is news of future events and some technical talk.

OCTOBER CLUB MEETING MINUTES.

These were not included in the November News Letter.

Ballarat Amateur Radio Group Inc
Minutes of General Meeting 31 October 2003

Meeting opened by Vice President Doug VK3VBA

Apologies VK3FGC VK3AIG VK3VBI

Minutes as circulated Repeater RBS should be RWA
Moved VK3UR/VK3HRZ Carried

Financial Report Not available

Reports. VK3DCS Education. Exams. 8 candidates hopeful for several passes.
VK3AXH Technical. VK3RWA off air again. VK3AXH to visit
VK3CIS Nets. Western Zone 2100 Hrs Mondays
Ballarat Club Net 7-8 stations
VK3VBA Publicity. Hamvention. Prime T.V. Ballarat News. 3LO.ABC
Neighbourhood Cable. Letter of thanks to ABC.

General Business.

Frank to donate the Helicraft rx/tx.
Dinner Night. 21 Nov at Golf House Hotel.
VK3AXH. Hamvention, Tables collect Saturday morning.
Hall available Saturday morning. Set-up Sat a.m.
Presell tickets prior to 1000 hrs and stamp. 42 tables.
Sunday 8000 hrs start. Club table. Radio on VK3RBA.
Home brew comp for next year.
Raffle drawn 1200 hrs. Ticket \$1.00 or 3 for \$2.00
Door prize. Everyone pays.
VK3DCS. Food. Shirley and Pat

Letter to W.I.A. re A.C.A. paper.

Meeting closed 2155 hrs

These are the minutes of the November Meeting.

Ballarat Amateur Radio Group Inc

Minutes of General Meeting 28 November 2003

Meeting opened by President Gordon vk3fgc @ 2000 Hrs

Apologies vk3cfh. Vk3ash.

Minutes as read Moved vk3aig/cmc Carried.

Correspondence. In W.I.A. 2004 call books available. New Years H.F. party. Raffle.
Out Nil

Financial report as tabled. Moved vk3bnc/ur Carried.

General Reports. Technical. Bob vk3bnc. Two trips to vk3rwa. Ant needs replace.
Nets B.A.R.G. going well 9 on. Thanks to Reg vk3caz.
Western Zone. Ian vk3cis. Various numbers. Same time all year.
A.R.D.F. W.I.C.E.N. antenna at uni. Opening ceremony 1330 Sat
Comp Sunday and Tuesday. Names for helpers listed.
Hamvention. Congratulations to Ian vk3axh and all who assisted
In the running of the Hamvention Moved vk3bnc/ur.
Ian has received positive and negative feedback. Will take on
Board. Same date booked for next year.
Education. Charlie vk3dcs. Pass rate last exams 60% Next exam
In Feb next year.
Congratulations to Ian vk3idl on a successful pass to full call.

General Business. Jeff vk3pap as property officer to record all new equipment.
New Years hf Party. Charlie vk3dcs to man Club station. All invited to take part in the day
Club breakup and BBQ ON Sunday 14 dec. Names by Friday 5.
Clean up around Club rooms next Sat 6 Dec starting 0900 Hrs.
Construction night next Monday 8 Dec
New name tags. Doug vk3vba to attend.
Secretary to order 10 new Call books for members.

President Gordon presented Life Membership Certificate to Bob vk3bnc and thanked Bob for his great service to the Club over the years.

Meeting closed 2250 Hrs.

Sorry : No for sale items this month as I will not get this News-letter out in time.

Editor.

NEXT MEETING Friday 30 January at 8.00 pm.

<u>REPEATERS</u>	VK3RBS	(Voice) 147.100	Mt. Ben Nevis
	VK3RBA	(Voice) 146.750	Mt. Buninyong
	VK3RPC	(Packet) 144.750	Mt. Warrenheip
	VK3RBU	(Voice) 438.475	Mt. Hollowback
<u>BEACON</u>	VK3RMB	432.535	Mt. Buninyong.
<u>CLUB NET</u>	VK3BML	3.610 MHz +/- QRM	Thursday nights at 8 pm. (8.30 pm during daylight saving)